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1. JAPAN

WEEKEND PAPERS GIVE EXTENSIVE PHOTO, STORY COVERAGE OF EMPEROR'S VISIT. HIROHITO HONORS US WAR DEAD BY LAYING WREATH AT TOMB OF UNKNOWN SOLDIERS (AP, SUN 10/4; UPI 10/4 WP, NYT; BILLINGTON, WSTAR 10/4). MEMBER OFFICIAL PARTY SAID EMPEROR FELT WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY AMONG MOST IMPORTANT ACTS OF US TOUR. HIROHITO ALSO VISITS LINCOLN MEMORIAL, MOUNT VERNON, HOSTS STATE UNCLASSIFIED

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DINNER IN HONOR PRES AT SMITHSONIAN (WP 10/4). NYT'S SHABECOFF DESCRIBES CEREMONY AT ARLINGTON TOMB, NOTES PRESENCE JAPAN ASSN OF SENIOR CITIZENS WHO ARRANGED VISIT US IN CONJUNCTION WITH IMPERIAL TRIP. NOTES

EVENTS APPEARED PROCEED WITHOUT HITCH, GIVES MOST CREDIT PAINSTAKING ADVANCE PLANNING BY GOJ, HARD WORK BY OFFICIAL ENTOURAGE; ADDS WH, DOS DID MUCH SMOOTH WAY. TELLS OF SENIOR MEMBERS IMPERIAL HOUSEHOLD. WSTAR'S BILLINGTON (10/4) REPORTS DETAILS OF VISIT TO MOUNT VERNON BY PRES, EMPEROR ABOARD "SEQUOIA.'

EMPEROR VISITS OCEAN LAB AT WOODS HOLE, OFFICIAL PARTY
NOT DISTURBED BY SAVE-THE-WHALE DEMONSTRATION BY ABOUT

100 ACROSS STREET (UPI, WSTAR 10/5). NYT'S RENSBERGER NOTES VISIT PURPOSE IS PROMOTE BETTER RELS BETWEEN US-JAPAN, BUT EMPEROR TOOK ADVANTAGE OPPORTUNITY MEET VISIT SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS. REPORTS DETAILS OF WOODS HOLE VISIT, AS DOES MCBRIDE IN CSM (10/6). GILDEA (WP 10/5) COMMENTS ON FAST PACE OF VISIT, APPARENT TIRELESSNESS OF IMPERIAL COUPLE.

COOKE (GLOBE 10/5) GIVES DETAILED COVERAGE WOODS HOLE VISIT.

EMPEROR ARRIVES NYC (AP, WSTAR 10/5), RODE TO CENTRAL PARK WHERE GREETED STUDENTS (AP, WP). IMPERIAL COUPLE SEES JETS-PATRIOTS FOOTBALL GAME (AP, SUN; ANDERSON, NYT), FULFILLING WISH SEE FOOTBALL GAME EXPRESSED LAST YEAR DURING PRES' VISIT TO JAPAN (UP, GLOBE); SEES NAMATH SLAM PATRIOTS (IAN/COUTROS, N DN'. IMPERIAL COUPLEVISITS VP IN HIS JAPANESE-STYLE HOUSE ON ESTATE NEAR NYC (NYDN, NYT). FRA KS (NYT) DESCRIBES FOOTBALL GAME, VISIT TO VP'S PLACE. NOTES HE RECEIVED MRS. MCARTHUR AT WALDORF SUITE. AP OPINES HIROHITO GOT KALEIDOSCOPIC VIEW US SOCIETY ON FIRST DAY NYC VISIT (SUN).

SECURITY PRECAUTIONS HEAVY DURING VISIT. EVENTS IN CALIFORNIA, ACTIVITIES JAPANESE RED ARMY, POSSIBLE ILL-WILL SOME AMCITS CAUSED CONCERN. POLICE ALERTED UNCLASSIFIED

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BY REPORT 3 HEAVILY-ARMED PERSONS ENTERED US FROM CANADA TO TRY ASSASSINATE EMPEROR, BUT STORY WAS FALSE-ALARM (FLOR, WSTAR 10/3). AT FOOTBALL GAME, EMPEROR WAS BEHIND BULLETPROOF WINDOW (AIN/COUTROS, NYDN). SECURITY AT WOODS HOLE TIGHT (RENSBARGER, NYT 10/5). ABOUT 200 SECRET SERVICE MEN ASSIGNED PROTECT EMPEROR, WHO BROUGHT ONLY HANDFUL JAPANESE SECURITY MEN WITH HIM (SHABECOFF, NYT 10/4). SECRET SERVICE RAID NY APARTMENT, SEIZE ARMS CHACHE, ARREST COUPLE IN WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN ASSASSINATION PLOT (FRANKS, NYT). RAID MADE AFTER FBI WARNED ARMED COUPLE WERE "POSSIBLE" DANGER TO EMPEROR'S FILE (AP, SUN). HIROHITO KEPT SCHEDULE DESPITE DISCOVERY POSSIBLE PLOT AGAINST

LIFE (UPI, CHITRIB).

JAPANESE SHIPBUILDERS NOW ACCEPT ORDERS FOR EXPORT VESSELS IN US DOLS INSTEAD OF YEN TO STAY COMPETITIVE WITH EUR YARDS (CULLISON, JOC). TOYOTA PLANS OFFER 40 MILLION SHARES NEW STOCK TO FINANCE INVESTMENT PROGRAM (WSJ). JAPANESE VEHICLE EXPORTS IN AUG 8-PCT BELOW

PREVIOUS YEAR; DECLINE BLAMED ON SLUMP IN US MARKET (UPI, JOC).

TYPHOON CORA LEAVES JAPANESE COAST AFTER STRIKING 108 MILES SOUTH OF TOKYO, DAMAGING HACHIJO ISLAND EXTENSIVELY (AP, SUN). POLLUTION SCANDAL SHOCKS PUBLIC.
AUTHORITIES CONFIRMED DUMPING INTO DENSELY-POPULATED AREA TOKYO OF OVER 500,000 TONS INDUSTRIAL WASTE CONTAMINATED WITH TOXIC, CANCER-PRODUCING CHEMICAL. HEALTH HAZARD IGNORED, ESTIMATED 3000 FACTORIES POURED CHROMIUM WASTES INTO VACANT LOTS, MARSHLANDS OVER YEARS (SAAR, WP).

3. CHINA

THE SOVIET UNION HAS SIGNALED ITS DESIRE TO NORMALIZE STATE-TO-STATE RELATIONS WITH PEKING THE NCNA REPORTS. THE OFFER OF RECONCILIATION WAS IN A MESSAGE CONGRATULATING THE PRC ON ITS 26TH ANNIVERSARY. THE SIGNAL COMES AFTER SUMMER OF BITTER POLEMICS BETWEEN COUNTRIES (WP AP). UNCLASSIFIED

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GLOBE AND MAIL'S MUNRO NOTES GROWING CHINESE TRADE DEFICIT, CAMPAIGN TO PUSH EXPORTS, NEED TO ESTABLISH IMPORTING PRIORITIES. NOTES THAT CHINA NEEDS TO IMPORT CAPITAL GOODS AND TECHNOLOGY DESPITE STRESS ON SELF-RELIANCE. CITES ESTIMATED 1 BILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY SPENT ON WHOLE PLANT IMPORTS. NOTES JAPANESE ESTIMATE DEFICIT AT 1.3 BILLION LAST YEAR TO RISE TO 3 BILLION IN 1978 BEFORE DECLINE. SAYS CHINA USING LOANS, BARTER TO PAY FOR NEEDED IMPORTS; IS SCRUTINIZING IMPORT NEEDS MORE CLOSELY, TRYING TO CUT DOWN IMPORTS OF FOOD.

SUN'S WU SEES PEKING'S PUBLICATION OF PHOTOS, HISTORIES OF 65 OUT OF 155 RECENTLY RELEASED TAIWAN AGENTS AS EVIDENCE OF WIDE RANGE OF ROC COMMANDO RAIDS, OPERATIONS WHEN CURRENT PREMIER CHIANG CHING-KUO WAS DEFENSE MINISTER ON TAIWAN. NOTES THAT 155 ARE LAST GROUP OF AGENTS TO BE FREED; FOUR OTHER GROUPS PREVIOUSLY FREED WERE QUIETLY RETURNED TO TAIWAN. SEES FANFARE SURROUNDING 65 PEKING'S ATTEMPT TO CAUSE TAIWAN EMBARRASSMENT IF IT REFUSES TO ACCEPT THEM.

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD NOTES FAILURE OF CAMPAIGN AGAINST NOVEL

"WATER MARGIN" TO AROUSE GREAT POLITICAL INTEREST. SAYS SOME SPECIALISTS AGREE WITH OFFICIAL STAND THAT CAMPAIGN DESIGNED SIMPLY TO POINT UP NOVEL AS NEGATIVE EXAMPLE OF BACKSLIDING INTO REVISIONISM.

NYT'F HOFMANN AT UN MUSES ON RELENTLESS PACE OF PARTY-GIVING. SAYS FORMERLY RECLUSIVE PRC DELEGATES NOW GIVE RECEPTIONS

AP CARRIES PEKING RADIO REPORT OF JAPAN EMPEROR HIROHITO'S MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS TO CHINA ON 26TH ANNIVERSARY. MESSAGE TO CHU TEH, CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINESE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS, WISHED CHU HAPPINESS, CHINESE PEOPLE PROSPERITY (WSTAR).

4. INDOCHINA

PRINCE SIHANOUK SPEAKS TODAY TO UNGA. DECLARES AT NY UNCLASSIFIED

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PRESS CONF THAT HE IS NOT ROVING AMBASSADOR, BUT CHIEF OF STATE WITHOUT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENT." CAMBODIA IS RULED BY THE PEOPLE," HE SAYS. SAYS THAT AFTER WEEK AT UN, WILL TRAVEL TO COUNTRIES SUPPORTING CAMBODIA, INCL N. KOREA AND AFRICA, THEN RETURN HOME. CONTINUES THAT CAMBODIA IS "WILLING TO FORGET" DAMAGE INFLICTED BY US IN WAR (NYT, REUTER).

AFP DRV PREMIER PHAM VAN DONG SAYS THAT VIET-NAM WILL BE OFFICIALLY RE-UNIFIED IN A SHORT TIME, UNOFFICIAL RE-UNIFICATION HAS ALREADY OCCURRED (NYT).

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD REPORTS PATHET LAO LEADERSHIP IN LAOS ANGRY THAT US HAS STOPPED DEVELOPMENT AID, THAT CONTINUED US DIPLOMATIC PRESENCE MAY DEPEND ON CONTINUED AID. RECALLS THAT PL SEIZED USAID COMPOUND LAST SUMMER AND THAT CONGRESS HAS PROHIBITED FURTHER AID TO INDOCHINA "INCLUDING ASSISTANCE GIVEN THROUGH INT'L AGENCIES." SAYS LAOTIANS CONSIDER SEIZURE OF US PROPERTY INSIGNIFICANT, CHARGE US WITH BREAKING AID PLEDGE.

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD (10/5) SURVEYS PL "INTENSIVE EFFORT TO CREATE HIGHLY DISCIPLINED AND MOBILIZIED SOCIETY" SINCE TAKEOVER IN MAY, COLLAPSE OF 1973 COALITION. NOTES OFFICIALS OPPOSING NEW ORDER FORCED TO ATTEND RE-EDUCATION CLASSES AFTER ARREST. SAYS PL CLAIM REFORM HAS BEEN BLOODLESS. NOTES PERVASIVE PL CONTROL OVER MEDIA, BANKS, FORMER ROYAL ARMY.

REUTER CARRIES SWEDISH ANNOUNCEMENT OF 16 MILLION DOLLAR EMERGENCY AID GRANT TO SVN, IN ADDITION TO 11 MILLION DOLLAR GRANT ALREADY THIS YEAR (NYT).

5. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

AP SVN CONDEMNS US PLAN TO RETURN REPATRIATES TO VN BY

SHIP, DEMANDS THAT PLAN BE STOPPED, IN RADIO BROADCAST. NO INDICATION GIVEN THAT SVN WOULD FRUSTRATE LANDING OF REPATS IN VN. SAYS TIME, METHOD OF RETURN MATTER WITHIN VN SOVEREIGNTY (WSTAR, NYT). UNCLASSIFIED

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NYT REVIEWS DECISION OF VN REPATRIATES, SAYS THEY HAVE "MADE IT CLEAR (THROUGH DEMONSTRATIONS) THEY ARE FED UP WITH GUAM." SAYS AMERICAN OFFICIALS ARE ANXIOUS TO SEE 1,600 DEPART BEFORE FURTHER VIOLENCE.

5. KOREA

CANADA, SK IN FINAL STAGES TALKS ON SAFEGUARD AGREEMENT TO PERMIT SALE NUCLEAR REACTOR TO SK POWER UTILITIES (CSM).

6. MALAYSIA

RECENT TERRORIST INCIDENTS SHAKE PEOPLE, GOVT, RAISE POSSIBILITY OPEN WARFARE WITH COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS. ATTACKS ON INDEPENDENCE MEMORIAL IN AUG, POLICE COMPOUND WEEK LATER COUPLED WITH UNCERTAINTY OVER INDOCHINA EVENTS WORRY MANY. ANALYSTS SEE LINK BETWEEN POWER BALANCE SHIFT IN SEA WITH RESURGENCE GUERRILLA ACTIVITY IN MALAYSIA, THAILAND (CSM).

7. PAPUA NEW GUINEA

PM SOMARE LEFT FOR UN BY WAY SOLOMONS, FIJI FOR FORMAL ACCEPTANCE AS MEMBER (WP).

8. AUSTRALIA

CSM REPORTS ON NEW GUN LAW REQUIRING LICENSES FOR ALL TYPES OF FIREARMS IN NEW SOUTH WALES. SAYS MEASURE ENJOYS WIDE SUPPORT IN ABSENCE OF ANY GUN LOBBY.

9. GENERAL

WSJ REPORTS THAT MIDDLE EAST, IRAN RECEIVING LARGE NUMBERS OF WORKERS FROM ASIA. SOUTH KOREA, PHILIPPINES, INDIA MAJOR SUPPLIERS OF MANPOWER. TAIWAN SENDING TECHNICAL TEAMS.

CSM SAYS POSSIBILITY OF URANIUM PRODUCERS CARTEL WHICH UNCLASSIFIED

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WOULD INCLUDE AUSTRALIA WORRYING USG OFFICIALS. CARTEL MAY ALREADY EXIST, BE SETTING PRICES IN WORLD MARKET. JUSTICE DEPT. IS INVESTIGATING. US DOES NOT IMPORT URANIUM BUT FEARS PRICE OF OWN URANIUM MAY BE AFFECTED

BY FOREIGN INTERESTS IN DOMESTIC MINES.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

10. CHINA

SUN EDITORIALIZES THAT END OF INDOCHINA WAR HAS BROUGHT NO TRUCE BETWEEN MOSCOW AND PEKING. BOTH FEAR OTHER'S EXPANSION AS AMERICANS DEPART. NO LONGER SEE NECESSITY OF UNITING BEHIND NVN. NOTES CHINESE FEAR OF PRO-SOVIET NVN STANCE; SAYS NVN MAY EXPLOIT RIVALRY. SEES RIVALRY AS BOON TO OTHER ASIAN NATIONS, OFFERING FLEXIBILITY, INDEPENDENCE. SEES SINO-SOVIET WAR UNLIKELY, BUT URGES US EFFORTS TO DIMINISH HOSTILITY.

11. INDOCHINA

WSTAR'S BRADSHER SEES CAMBODIAN REPATRIATES ISSUES AS POSSIBLE TEST OF SIHANOUK'S AUTHORITY. SAYS UNHCR WILL PROBABLY DISCUSS PROBLEM OF SOME 150 CAMBODIANS WISHING TO RETURN WITH SIHANOUK AT UN. QUESTIONS WHETHER PRINCE WILL BE ABLE TO ACT, SINCE PHNOM PENH AUTHORITIES HAVE IGNORED REPATRIATES.

12. THAILAND

NYT'S MAG CARRIES FEATURE ON THAI PREMIER KUKRIT PRAMOJ BY WILLIAM WARREN. AUTHOR CREDITS KUKRIT WITH RESTORING GUARDED OPTIMISM IN THAILAND AFTER PERIOD OF CRISIS DURING INITIAL STAGE OF DEMOCRATIC RULE. RECALLS KUKRIT LEADERSHIP OF LITERATE THAI OPINION AS EDITOR OF SIAM RATH, OPPOSITION TO FORMER MILITARY REGIME. NOTES COMPLEX KUKRIT STYLE. SAYS PREMIER NOT REALLY ANTI-AMERICAN DESPITE CRITICISM OF U.S. SAYS THAI REACTION TO FALL OF VIET-NAM CLOSE TO PANIC. KUKRIT PLAYED MAYAGUEZ INCIDENT TO OWN ADVANTAGE BY FANNING ANTI-AMERICAN SENTIMENT, THEN UNCLASSIFIED

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APOLOGIZING. CITES OTHER FOREIGN POLICY SUCCESSES: VISIT TO CHINA, PHASING OUT OF SEATO. NOTES CONTINUING PROBLEMS OF INDOCHINA REFUGEES IN THAILAND, RELATIONS WITH LAOS, WIDENING DIVIDIONS WITHIN THAILAND ITSELF. SEES DOMESTIC PROBLEMS AND FUTURE CRISES INEVITABLE.

13. JAPAN

(10/5) NOTES EMPEROR GENEROUS IN THANKING US FOR POST-WAR AID. SAYS JAPAN'S FOREIGN POLICY CONTINUES MODEST, SUBDUED AS ECON POLICY IS AGGRESSIVE, SUCCESSFUL. SEES

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WEIGHT OF WW II IN JAPAN'S LACK INTEREST DEVELOPING ARMED FORCES, INDEPENDENT POL PURPOSE. BELIEVES US-JAPAN RELS DEVELOPING AS MOST OPTIMISTIC STATESMEN ON BOTH SIDES MIGHT HAVE HOPED GENERATION AGO.

NYDN QUOTES PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS ASSN IN SUPPORT POSTWAR FRIENDLY RELS BETWEEN US, JAPAN. CALLS LINKS STRONG, DURABLE THOUGH NOW GOING THROUGH PERIOD OF UNCERTAINTY. NOTES LACK STRONG LEADERSHIP IN RULING MODERATE-CONSERVATIVE COALITION IN TOKYO, MORE ASSERTIVE LEFTIST FACTIONS, LEVELLING-OFF OF BOOM. SAYS JAPANESE WONDER WHETHER US POWER IN FE WEARING THIN, RE-EXAMINES DEFENSELESSNESS, RELS WITH PRC, USSR.

CHITRIB'S YATES DESCRIBES RESTRICTED LIFE LED BY EMPEROR THAT CREATE PROBLEMS DURING VISIT. NOTES HIROHITO NOT HAPPY WITH SOME RESTRICTIONS. BELIEVES JAPANESE MUST WONDER IF IMPERIAL FAMILY WILL EVER BE PAROLED FROM ANCIENT PROTOCOL.

NYT'S HALLORAN (10/5) SAYS EMPEROR IS SYMBOL OF STATE, UNITY OF PEOPLE, AS WELL AS FATHER-FIGURE. NOTES SOME INTERNAL DISSENSION CONCERNING EMPEROR, IMPERIAL SYSTEM FROM RIGHTISTS, COMMUNISTS IN JAPAN; STATES IMPERIAL HOUSEHOLD CRITICIZED WHEN JAPANESE DURING HER VISIT SAW FREEDOM BRITISH QUEEN HAS.

WSTAR'S HALL (10/5) IN TOKYO NOTES JAPANESE PRESS PUTTING UNCLASSIFIED

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US UNDER MAGNIFYING-GLASS ON OCCASION IMPERIAL VISIT. SAYS FOR WKS DAILY VIGNETTES US LIFE HAVE BEEN STAPLES NEWS COLUMNS, TV SPECIALS. DISCUSSES UNIQUE ROLE JAPANESE JOURNALISTS ON WHICH PUBLIC DEPENDENT FOR IMAGES OUTSIDE WORLD DUE DISTANCE, LANGUAGE BARRIER, HISTORICAL ISOLATION.

LACHICA (WSTAR 10/3) IN TOKYO SAYS GOJ MOUNTING DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN TO CONTAIN RED ARMY TERRORISTS. MFA PRESENTLY CONTENT KEEP MAIN FORCE BOTTLED UP IN LIBYA, AT LEAST UNTIL END IMPERIAL VISIT TO US. BELIEVES WITHOUT ASSISTANCE OTHER COUNTRIES JAPAN WOULD BE ALMOST POWERLESS STOP RED ARMY FROM PULLING OFF EXPLOITS WHEN, WHERE PLEASE.

LEHMANN-HAUPT (NYT) REVIEWS IVAN MORRIS' "MOBILITY OF FAILURE," FINDS IT BEST INTRODUCTION HE KNOWS TO JAPANESE CULTURE. BOOK DEALS WITH SUCCESSION TRAGIC FIGURES IN COUNTRY'S HISTORY, FINDS JAPANESE IN LOVE WITH LOSING, BASICALLY PESSIMISTIC.

MADDOCKS (CSM) IN PART 3 OF LETTER FROM TOKYO SEES JAPANESE POLITICS AT TIMES APPEARING SYNONYMOUS WITH JAPANESE ECONOMICS. FINDS SOCIETY CONSUMER'S PARADISE, BUT ALSO INDUSTRY SLOWING, INFLATION. QUOTES KOESTLER THAT JAPAN IS ROBOT, TOO HYPEREFFICIENT. NOTES RETURN OF INTEREST IN AMENITIES, SO "ROBOT HAS BEEN GIVEN PAUSE."

NYT MAGAZINE (10/5) CARRIES 13-PG AD ON JAPAN ON OCCASION IMPERIAL VISIT. OVER HALF SPACE CONSISTS ADS BY JAL, OTHERS; REMAINDER DEVOTED LENGTHY ARTICLE BY LONG-TIME JAPAN RESIDENT TOLMAN WHO DISCUSSES CHANGES IN US-JAPAN RELS OVER PAST 37 YRS, FINDS PEOPLE BOTH COUNTRIES BECOMING AWARE INTERDEPENDENCE DESPITE DISSIMILARITIES IN CULTURE, OUTLOOK, SOMETIMES INTERESTS. KISSINGER

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